GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Facilities in Local Trains
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has conducted any survey to find out the number of passengers commuting daily in the Chennai local trains and other urban cities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there has been any complaint regarding the inadequate facilities available to the local passengers using sub-urban trains;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Railway thereto; and

(e) the steps taken by the Railways to modernize the urban local railways systems in the country including Chennai Suburban?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): Census is conducted by Zonal Railways on periodical basis. During Financial Year 2015-16, on an average, about 12.18 million passengers travelled daily on suburban sections of Indian Railways including Southern Railway.

(c) & (d): A demand for provision of J-Hook type arrangement for hanging bags by passengers in Electric Multiple Unit (EMU) type coaches was received. The issue was examined and Integral Coach Factory, Chennai was advised to develop a suitable design of J-Hook type arrangement below luggage shelf and end-wall at suitable locations for provision in newly manufactured EMU coaches.

(e): One air-conditioned EMU rake with Automatic doors for Western Railway has been manufactured at Integral Coach Factory, Chennai. Modernisation of Indian Railways including suburban section of Chennai is a continuous process for which steps are taken from time to time, some of which include Mumbai Urban Transport Project in Mumbai area, Mass Rapid Transit System in Chennai area, Extension of Metro Railway/Kolkata, etc.

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